

Press Release

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The Lost Millennials project has launched to improve evaluation practices of labour market initiatives targeting 25+ NEETs

The 'Lost Millennials – Transnational research network for the evaluation of initiatives targeting 25+NEETs' project launched in November 2021 under the 2nd call of the Fund for Youth Employment. The main aim of the project is to contribute to the successful integration of 25+ NEETs into the labour market or education and training, by increasing knowledge on the effects of education and employment initiatives and building stakeholder capacity to carry out impact studies. The 27-months long project is implemented by a consortium of 13 partners from across Europe.

The project focuses on a specific group of the Millennial generation, young people aged 25-29 not in employment or education and training (25+ NEETs), who are only recently coming into the spotlight of research and policy. Throughout the project, partners will create a transnational network of researchers and experts to share know-how and best practices, carry out evaluations of government and community-based initiatives targeting 25+ NEETs, implement capacity-building events and engage stakeholders to increase the policy relevance of project results.

After a successful Kick-Off Meeting in December 2021, project partners have started the assessment on the situation of 25+ NEETs in the EU and in beneficiary countries, including the wider context of precarious integration of young people to the labour market. The results will be integrated in a transnational research report which is expected to be published during the summer of 2022.

The first panel discussion of the Lost Millennials project's online event series was organised on 23 March 2022. Experts in the field of youth employment, evidence-based design of active labor market measures and impact evaluation have shared their experience on good practices and methodological challenges to the evaluation of initiatives and measures targeting young people, NEETs in particular. The recording of the event is available on the project's Facebook page.

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The Partnership of the Lost Millennials project

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- Institute for Structural Policy (Czech Republic),
- Institute of Entrepreneurship Development (Greece),
- Binda Consulting International (Malta),
- Evidence Institute Foundation (Poland),
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- Slovak Business Agency (Slovakia), and
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